

### REMARKS

This application is a divisional of application No. 09/318,446, filed May 25, 1999, allowed June 17, 2003. The restricted claims prosecuted in the parent case have been canceled herein leaving in prosecution claims 13-17, which were restricted in the parent application and canceled prior to allowance.


Applicant claims foreign priority based on the certified copy of the priority document submitted in the parent case.

Prior to issuance of a first Office Action in the present Divisional application, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner review the arguments presented in the parent case in opposition to rejection of the present claims.

Early examination of the claims on their merits is earnestly solicited.

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